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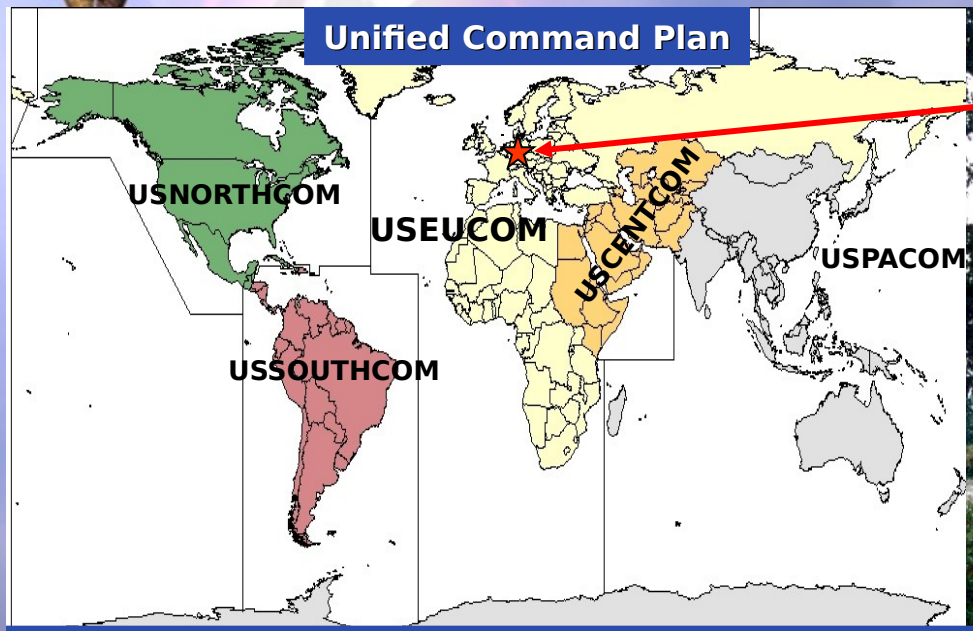
# United States European Command

## Gen Charles F. Wald

Deputy Commander

# United States European Command Mission



- Maintain ready forces for full spectrum operations (unilaterally or in concert with coalition partners)
- Enhance transatlantic security through support of NATO
- Promote regional stability
- Counter terrorism
- Advance U.S. interests in the AOR

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# EUCOM Area of Responsibility

Eurasia

Western Europe

Kazakhstan

Southeast Europe

PACOM AOR

North Africa

CENTCOM AOR

West Africa

Central Africa

East Africa

South Africa

## 91 Countries

- 35% of earth's landmass
- 60% of planet's coastline
- 20% of the Earth's waters
- 23% of world population

## Commander's Vision & Priorities

- Europe as a global partner
- Africa that is self-sufficient and stable
- Broader Middle East at peace
- Transformed and expeditionary USEUCOM
- Capable regional security organizations

General James L. Jones

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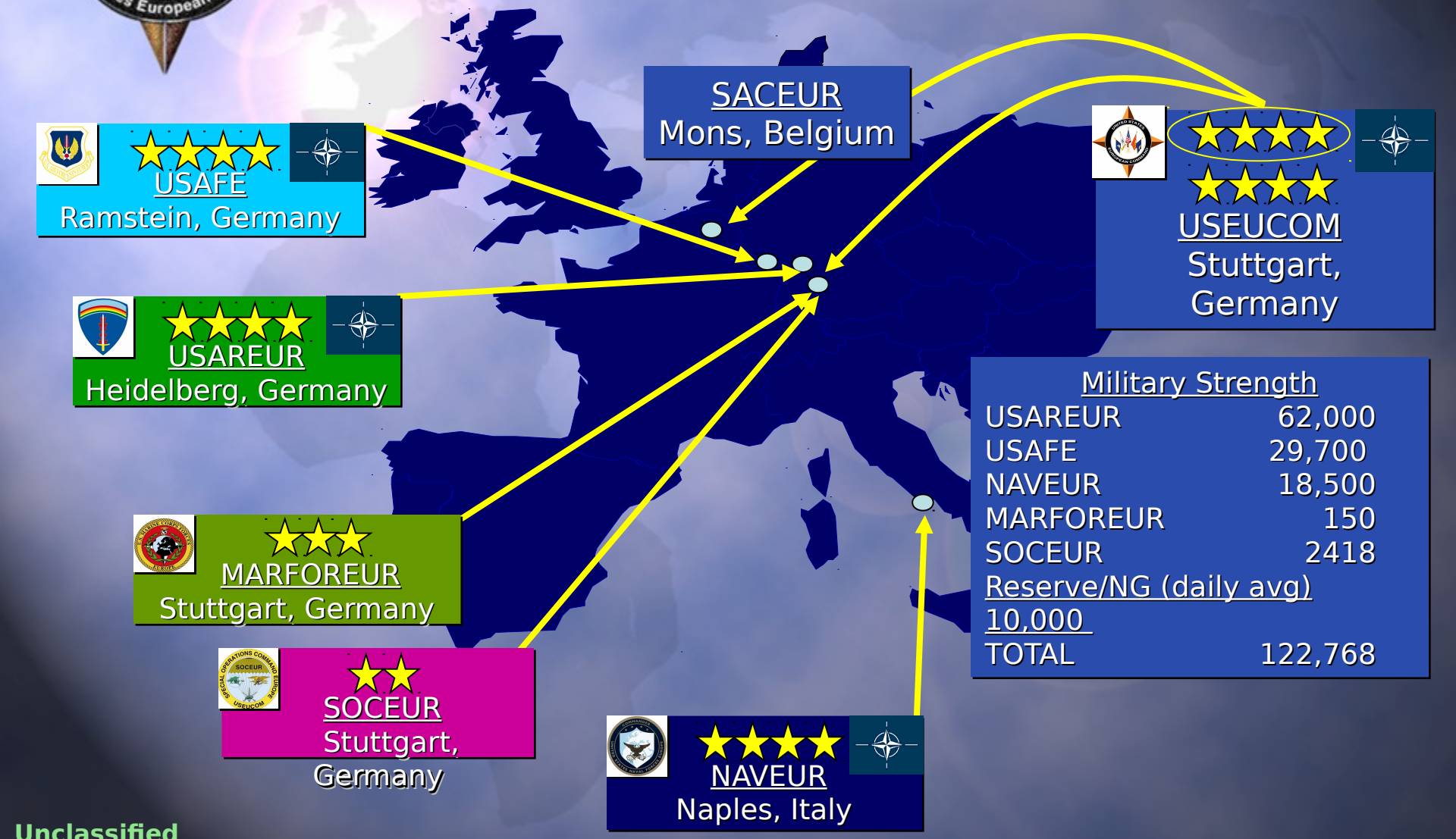
# EUCOM Organization

**The only forward deployed Geographic Combatant Command (GCC) HQ**




| Military Strength | |
|---|---|
| USAREUR | 62,000 |
| USAFE | 29,700 |
| NAVEUR | 18,500 |
| MARFOREUR | 150 |
| SOCEUR | 2418 |
| Reserve/NG (daily avg) | 10,000 |
| TOTAL | 122,768 |

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# New World Order 1989-1991

- Stability created by Marshall Plan,
  NATO, European integration
- Collapse of communism and Soviet threat
- "End of History": triumph of liberal
  democracy, free market capitalism
- US sole super power

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# Strategic Pause 1991-2001

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Arc of Stab

Transdnestr
Chechnya
Abkhazia
Kosovo
South Ossetia
Yugoslavia
Nagorno-Karabakh
Intifada
Khobar Towers
Algeria
Ethiopia-Eritrea
USS Cole
Sierra Leone
Somalia
Rwanda
Liberia
Congo-B
DROC
Embassy Bombings
Burundi
Angola

Inter-state conflict
Civil war/insurgency/separatism
Terrorism

*Globalsecurity.org database

- Incidence of major conflicts decreases
- Small scale contingencies and intra-state conflict dominate
- Globalization diversifies threats:
  - terrorism
  - WMD proliferation
  - organized crime

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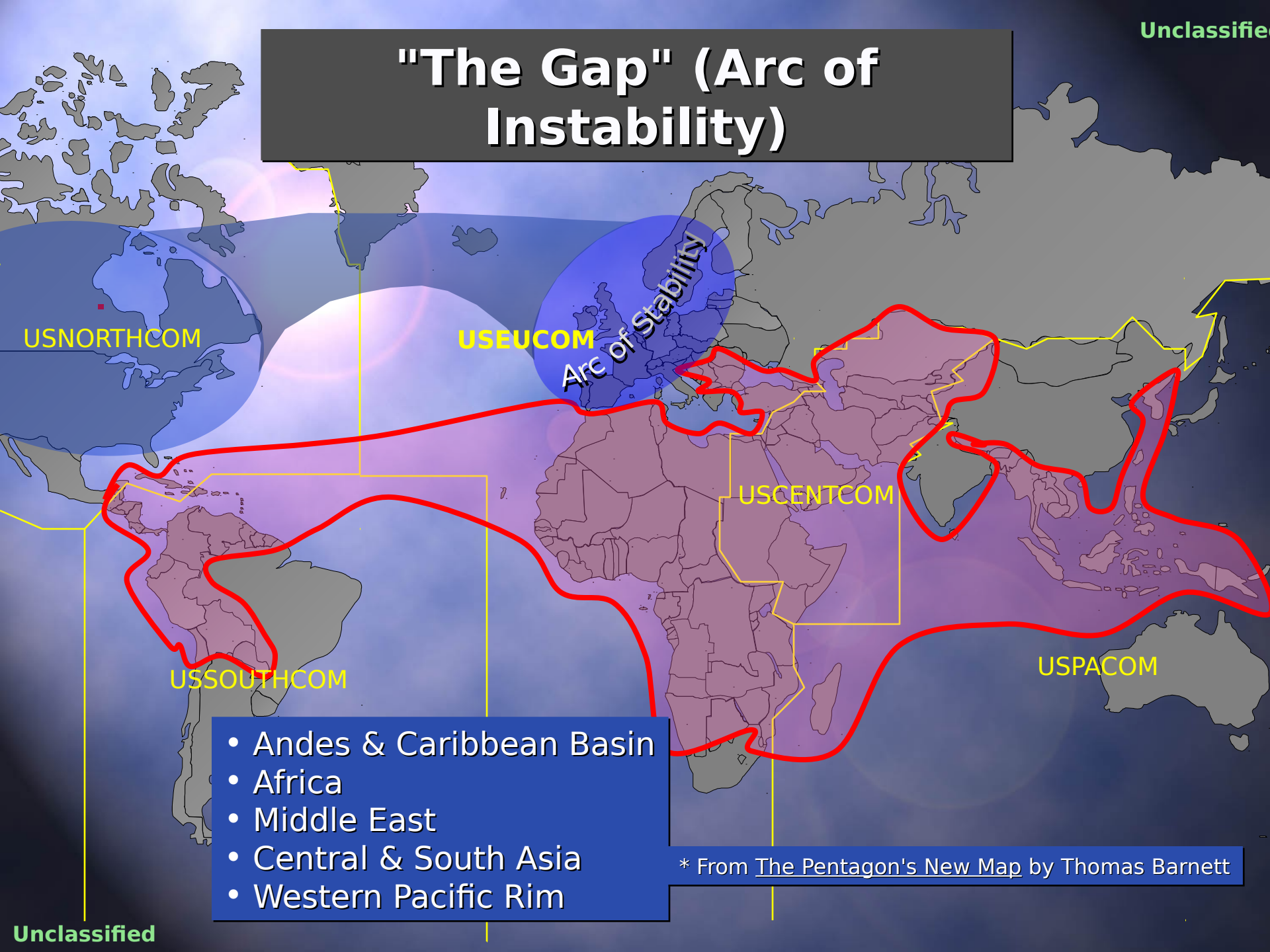
# "The Gap" (Arc of Instability)




- Andes & Caribbean Basin
- Africa
- Middle East
- Central & South Asia
- Western Pacific Rim

* From The Pentagon's New Map by Thomas Barnett

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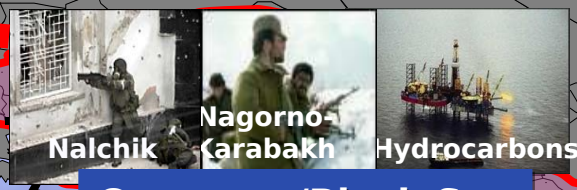
# New Strategic Environment

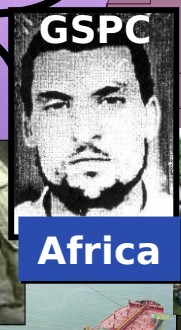


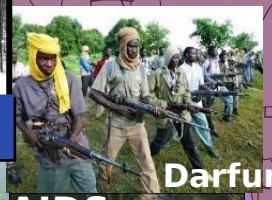

Arc of Stability

Caucasus/Black Sea

Middle East

Arc of Instability





= Strategic choke point

## Challenges

- WMD and terrorism
- Emerging democracies
- Regional stability and security
- Relationship with Russia
- HIV and AIDS
- Resource security

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# EUCOM Strategic Vision

Berlin Plus

- Europe as global partner
- Transformed, expeditionary NATO & EUCOM

Capable regional security organizations

AU Standby Force

## Stable Middle East

## Self-sufficient and stable

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